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PATENT

Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 06652.0456

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re Application of: )  
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Michel GARRAIT et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1623  
)  
Application No.: 09/350,152 ) Examiner: T. Oh  
)  
Filed: July 9, 1999 )  
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For: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION )  
OF HYDROXYMETHYLBUTYRIC )  
ACID )

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the final Office Action  
dated August 23, 2002.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. ☐ A Petition for extension of time to respond to the final rejection was filed on [Date] extending the period for response to [Date].
2. ☒ A Petition for extension of time to further extend the period for response to December 23, 2002, is enclosed. The fee of \$110.00 is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
3. ☒ An Appeal Fee of \$320.00 was previously paid on July 15, 2002. No new appeal fee is currently due.  
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4. ☒ The fees above totaling \$110.00 should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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